

Provincial and Federal Government Funding for COVID-19 Response

Area	Description	(\$ Millions)	
		2021 Expected Total	Potential Additional Funding
Public Health	Reflects the 2021 portion of the Public Health funding allocation communicated in a September 10, 2020 letter, including support for the school-focused nursing initiative until the end of July 2021. Additional funding for the 2021-2022 school year is expected, but amounts are not confirmed	2.92	TBD
Long-Term Care and Seniors Community Programs	Funding for infection containment and emergency outbreak and support for PPE and supplies for Seniors Community Programs. Excludes wage enhancement funding for Personal Support Workers and pandemic pay premiums. Includes estimated 2021 funding as communicated in an August 27, 2021 letter.	4.59	TBD
Long-Term Care and Seniors Community Programs	Funding for infection containment and emergency outbreak as above. Reflects funding for 2020 recognized in 2021 due to timing of receipt.	3.15	-
Long-Term Care and Seniors Community Programs	Wage enhancement for Personal Support Workers in long-term care homes as announced by the Province in October 2020. Reflects an additional three dollars per hour for eligible workers	0.44	TBD
Reaching Home	Reflects \$125,000 of the total Federal funding allocation of \$500,000 for the period, 2020-2021, through United Way Greater Toronto to enhance the capacity of the Region's Homelessness Prevention Program in anticipation of increased demand for housing support services, along with \$207,000 to provide supports and services for people in encampments	0.33	-
Mental Health Supports	Reflects Provincial support communicated on January 8, 2021 for mental health and addictions supports for vulnerable populations in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic	0.34	-
Social Services Relief Fund Phase 2	Provincial support for the ongoing social services response to COVID-19 per the business case approved October 26, 2021. Funding will support initiatives to mitigate risk in congregate care homes and help prevent homelessness. \$1.3 million of this funding will be used for capital projects.	7.22	-

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Social Services Relief Fund – December Announcement	Funding for improvement of delivery of critical services, protecting homeless shelter staff and residents, renovating and purchasing shelter facilities, adding to rent banks, and creating longer-term housing solutions, communicated in a December 11, 2020 announcement. \$6 million of this funding will be used for capital projects.	8.13	-
Social Services Relief Fund Phase 3	Continued Provincial funding to mitigate the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the homelessness sector, including infection prevention and control measures in emergency shelters and ongoing supports for vulnerable residents announced March 10, 2021. This funding supports the continued operation of the Region’s self-isolation and transitional shelters until the end of 2021.	10.77	-
Social Services Relief Fund Phase 4	This funding supports operating and capital expenses to mitigate the continued impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the homelessness sector, including mitigating ongoing risk for vulnerable people, encouraging long-term housing solutions, provide rent assistance, and help wind down SSRF-funded supports by Q1 2022. The Province requires an Investment and Wind-down Plan, due September 15, 2021, to access funding. The funding amount includes some portion that is expected to be spent in 2022. The timing of use of funds and the split between operating and capital expenses is to be determined.	12.10	-
Emergency Child Care	Provincial funding for the cost of the six emergency childcare centers operated for healthcare and other eligible frontline workers during childcare closures. On January 8, 2021, the Province noted the need for expanded childcare for school aged children through January 2021. Emergency childcare is also provided in York Region for April during school closures. Ongoing funding has not yet been confirmed.	0.16	TBD
Community Paramedicine Expansion Funding	One-time support in response to 2nd wave of COVID-19 and annual flu season, including staffing, supplies and training communicated on November 23, 2020	0.50	-

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One-time funding for Paramedic Services COVID-19 response	Reflects Provincial support up to June 2021 for the COVID-19 response related to Paramedic Services, including extraordinary expenses such as materials, primarily PPE and eligible payroll costs	2.34	TBD
Emergency Health Services Incident Management System	Reflects Provincial funding related to the implementation of a centralized Incident Management System for emergency health services communicated in a March 31, 2021 letter. The funding covers the cost of a dedicated ambulance for patient transfers between January and June 2021. Amount shown is based on actual eligible expenses incurred.	0.52	TBD
Paramedic Services Support for Public Health Immunization Initiative	Reflects Provincial support for delivering vaccinations based on Public Health direction. Previously this funding was reimbursed to Public Health based on costs incurred by Paramedic Services and transferred to Public Health. The funding is now being provided directly to Paramedic Services. Figures reflect reimbursement amounts between April and June 2021. Additional commitments have been made to reimburse eligible expenses to the end of 2021.	0.32	TBD
Federal Safe Restart – September Reopening Plan and Provincial Reinvestment	Includes funding for childcare and EarlyON programs to purchase PPE, enhanced cleaning, staffing and other resources. The reinvestment for 2021 was confirmed in a February 2, 2021 letter.	5.35	-
Safe Restart Agreement Municipal Funding	Includes \$9.92 million in support announced through Phase 2 and the additional \$21.1 million announced in March 2021 through the Safe Restart municipal funding stream for municipal operating pressures related to the COVID-19 response	31.05	-

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Safe Restart Agreement Transit Funding	Includes funding through the Safe Restart transit funding stream for transit-related pressures due to COVID-19. Reflects \$6.4 million of the Region's eligible share of up to \$21.4 million made available through Phase 2, as submitted for Phase 2 funding reporting. Also includes \$16.7 million in estimated support through Phase 3. The amount and timing of total funding available is pending Provincial review and approval	23.16	-
Provincial High Priority Communities Strategy	Support for 280 new isolation center beds for vulnerable populations up to the end of March 2021 communicated through a January 7, 2021 letter. Includes auxiliary costs, such as meals, security, and cleaning, as well as temporary COVID-19 isolation wrap-around supports for individuals requiring testing or self-isolation but do not qualify for Provincial income assistance programs. Reflects repayment of \$1.96M due to program ramp-up timing and below capacity occupancy	5.19	TBD
Ontario Isolation Centres Initiative (OICI)	Reflects continued support for 280 isolation center beds to support high-priority communities and vulnerable people who need to isolate, similar to the Provincial High Priority Communities Strategy communicated in an April 7, 2021 letter. Reflects funding for eligible expenses incurred between March 31 and June 30, 2021.	7.06	TBD
Public Health COVID-19 response	Ministry of Health support for extraordinary expenses incurred as part of Public Health response including monitoring, detecting, and containing COVID-19 in the province and mass immunization. The expected total reflects the \$52.7 million allocation announced to date, corresponding to 50% of estimated eligible costs in 2021. The Province has affirmed continued support through 2021 through a January 13, 2021 letter. Final funding is expected to be \$65 million based the Q2 forecast submitted to the Province, \$27.5 million higher than the budget amount of \$37.5 million and will be based on eligible incremental costs submitted to the Province at year-end and will reflect any amount that cannot be accommodated in the Region's cost-shared funding allocation.	52.7	12.5

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Canada Infrastructure Plan (ICIP)	Includes potential support through the ICIP – COVID-19 Response Stream for COVID-19 response infrastructure in eligible buildings, active transportation and/or other capital.	12.32	-
2021 Federal Gas Tax Top- Up/Canada Community- Building Fund	Includes proposed funding for costs of eligible capital infrastructure projects incurred over five years as announced by the Federal government on March 25, 2021.	33.83	-
Subtotal capital-related funding¹		53.45	-
Subtotal operating-related funding²		171.00	12.5
Total		224.45	12.5

¹ Capital-related funding includes \$6M related to the Social Services Relief Fund (SSRF) December Announcement, \$1.3M related to SSRF Phase 2, ICIP, and the Federal Gas Tax Top-up funding.

² SSRF Phase 4 funding has been reflected as operating funding on a preliminary basis. The split between operating and capital and the portion of funding that may be used to offset 2022 costs will be determined by the end of 2021.